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PATENT APPLICATION  
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Attorney Docket No.	P03919
First Inventor	Robert Lee Friou
Title	"SPORTS CONTAINER SYSTEM"
Express Mail Label No.	EV313995216US

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **318**]  
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  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
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9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney  
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11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the utility patent application of Inventor: Robert Lee Friou, for: "SPORTS CONTAINER SYSTEM".

**X Applicants claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27.**  
**X Please use our Customer No. 28548 in connection with this application.**

Enclosed are an acknowledgment postcard and:

- (1) Specification (318 pages total)
  - (a) (111) Claims – 6 independent, 105 dependent
- (2) Drawings (84 pages)
- (3) Declaration and Power of Attorney

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.10 and 1.53, applicants respectfully requests that this application be assigned a serial number and a filing date of July 25, 2003, the date upon which the application was mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office by Express Mail.

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